

# News Release

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Air Pollution  
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## **Air District seeks student artists**

### ***Fall deadline for kids' calendar artwork***

- The San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District is looking for student artwork for its 2007 Clean Air Kids Calendar. The deadline for submissions is Sept. 30, 2006.

"We hope that before summer recess, teachers will encourage their students to draw a colorful picture about how they feel we can reduce air pollution," said Jaime Holt, public information administrator for the Air District. "Entries in English, Spanish or both languages are welcome, as the calendar is bilingual."

Valley school students in kindergarten through 12<sup>th</sup> grade are eligible to enter. Artists should place the page sideways, in landscape orientation, so the paper is 8 -½ inches high and 11 inches wide. Artwork should be in color and contain a message about a way to help clean the air.

Messages for the 2006 calendar included: "Clear the Valley's air .. use public transportation and carpooling," "Go electric," and "Keep our air clean. Check before you burn your fireplace."

Fourteen drawings with clean-air themes will be selected and reproduced in a four-color calendar and the artists' photos will be featured

About 20,000 calendars are distributed free to schools, community groups, healthcare facilities, churches and non-profit organizations in December.

Entries must contain the child's name, address, phone number, age, grade and school, and should be mailed flat, not folded, to 2007 Calendar Contest, Valley Air District, 1990 E. Gettysburg Ave., Fresno, CA 93726.

For more information, email [public.education@valleyair.org](mailto:public.education@valleyair.org) or call the nearest District office: Northern Region (209) 557-6400, Central Region, (559) 230-6000 or Southern Region, (661) 326-6900. The Valley Air District covers eight counties including San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced, Madera, Fresno, Kings, Tulare and the valley portion of Kern.

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